

## **COMMANDING OFFICER'S SAFETY POLICY**

Our Marines are MAG-36's greatest asset, and my greatest concern is losing someone to a preventable mishap. Only by everyone acting professionally, on and off duty, can we prevent mishaps and assure the safety of our personnel, aircraft, and equipment.

I expect all MAG-36 personnel to practice the following Safety Principles:



- **THINK BEFORE YOU ACT.** Before taking action ask yourself the following questions:
  - 1) Am I properly trained, equipped, and prepared to do this?
  - 2) What can go wrong?
  - 3) What are the consequences if I "goon" this up?
  - 4) What should I do or who should I tell to correct the unsafe situation?
- **ALWAYS DO IT BY THE BOOK.**
- **DO NOT CUT CORNERS TO SAVE TIME.**
- **SPEAK UP** and correct unsafe situations immediately.
- **DO NOT** do the enemy's job for him:
  - 1) **DON'T DRINK AND DRIVE.**
  - 2) **OBEY TRAFFIC LAWS.**
  - 3) **ALWAYS USE PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT PROPERLY.**
- **LOOK OUT FOR ONE ANOTHER.**

Despite our best intentions, I understand that people make mistakes. When mistakes happen, take responsibility and immediately inform the appropriate chain of command. **Never jeopardize the safety of another person or your integrity in an attempt to cover up mistakes.**

By maintaining our professionalism and following these simple principles, we can preserve our people, aircraft, and equipment for use in support of our mission.

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